



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. SD 190-161

880 Front Street
Suite 6-S-31
San Diego, California 92188
April 27, 1983

Ernie Lazar
Public Issues Research
494 Ellis Street #1753
San Francisco, California 94102-1996

RE: Truth About Civil Turmoil - TACT

Dear Mr. Lazar:

The San Diego Office reviewed for release four pages of "see" references. Attached herewith are three pages with the remaining page being withheld entirely.

As a matter of administrative discretion the enclosed documents were considered under the provisions of both the Freedom of Information Act (Title 5, U.S. Code, Section 552), and the Privacy Act of 1974 (Title 5, U.S. Code Section 552a). Any documents which are found to be exempt from disclosure under the Privacy Act will also be processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Deletions were made on the enclosed three pages and the one withheld entirely to protect materials which are exempt from disclosures by the following subsections of the Freedom of Information Act, Title 5, United States Code, Section 552:

- (b) (2) Materials related solely to the internal rules and practices of the FBI.
- (b) (7) Investigatory records compiled for law enforcement purposes, the disclosure of which would:
 - (c) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;

(b) (7) (d)

disclose the identity of a confidential source and, in the case of a record compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, confidential information furnished only by the confidential source.

If you desire, you may submit an appeal from any denial contained herein. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Attn: Office of Information and Privacy, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, within 30 days from receipt of this letter. The envelope and letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal". Please cite the name of the office to which your original request was directed.

Sincerely,

NORMAN A. ZIGROSSI
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

BY:


GARY M. LATURNO
PRINCIPAL LEGAL ADVISOR

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Ex-Red To Tell Of Moscow Riot Training

Leonard Patterson, a former member of the Communist party, will speak on "My Moscow Training in Civil Riots" at 8 p.m. Jan. 20 at Mann Junior High School Auditorium.



The public meeting is sponsored by TACT, the Truth About Civil Turmoil Committee of Patterson San Diego.

Patterson joined the Communist party in 1928 and later was sent to Moscow as a student in the International Lenin School. He resigned from the party in 1937.

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SAN DIEGO UNION
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California

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Editor: Herbert C. Klein
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Negro Sees Dangers In Civil Rights Drive

✓ A Negro writer who called the civil rights movement Communist-inspired said here last night it may lead to civil war and to the racial annihilation of Negroes.

"I have no illusion about my white brother when he's pushed far enough," George Schuyler told a predominantly white audience of about 500 in the Horace Mann Junior High School auditorium.

NEW GROUP

The meeting was sponsored by a new group called TACT (Truth About Civil Turmoil). Its motto is "Civil Rights Without Civil Strife."

The sponsors distributed a reprint of an article, "Two

Revolutions at Once," by Robert Welch, founder and head of the John Birch Society. The article said "the tremendous 'honors' heaped upon (Dr. Martin Luther) King reveal... how far King has gone in establishing himself as the favorite of the Communists."

Schuyler, a staff editor of the Pittsburgh Courier, said the civil rights movement was begun by Communists in 1922 to subvert Negroes.

The Communists, he said, "don't care about Negroes any more than I do about tadpoles — they just use Negroes as an instrument."

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He scored King and James Farmer, head of the Congress of Racial Equality, for what he said was their willingness to "surrender Asia to the Communists."

He said "non-violence always leads to violence — the leaders of demonstrations know this, but use demonstrations to undermine the capitalist state."

He deplored the fact that Protestant and Catholic clergymen lend themselves to demonstrations, and he claimed that a "swarm" of high government officials is protecting demonstrators.

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San Diego Union
San Diego
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Appellate Court Denies Petition to Free Chavez

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—The California court of appeal has denied a petition that would have freed farm labor organizer Cesar Chavez from jail.

The court rejected without comment Friday a request by Chavez United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), AFL-CIO, that the Monterey County Superior Court judge's injunction that led to his arrest be temporarily set aside.

Chavez was jailed a week ago on \$2 million bond for contempt of court after he refused to obey a court order to call off a boycott of lettuce produced by Bud Antle, Inc., a major Salinas Valley lettuce grow-

er. The bond figure is based on the cost of the boycott to growers.

Antle has consistently refused to negotiate with Chavez and the UFWOC on grounds that the company is already under a long-standing contract with the Teamsters Union.

In New York City Friday, Teamsters threatened to quit moving UFWOC-picked lettuce if boycott leaders did not stop picketing Bud Antle's loading dock there.

Three clergymen acting as a mediation committee in the labor dispute have met with the parties involved in the labor dispute, but no details were disclosed of the first meeting.

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Former Chavez Supporter Links Brown Movement to Communism

Melchor O'Campo, who said he once supported Cesar Chavez, told a group of about 70 people at a public meeting in Brawley Friday night that Chavez and the "Brown Movement" is part of a Communist plot to take over the United States' food supply.

O'Campo used a film strip provided by a group known as Truth About Civil Unrest (TACT), organized by the John Society,

O'Campo, however, said he is not allied with any group.

O'Campo said the film documented what he had to say.

Relying heavily on testimony taken during House Un-American Activity Committee hearings, O'Campo referred to numerous supporters, sympathizers and financial backers involved with Chavez who are allegedly either Communists or Communist sympathizers — or, at best, Socialists.

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Imperial Valley Press

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Post Office Box 12325
Richmond, Virginia 23241
August 17, 1982

Mr. Ernie Lazar
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Dear Mr. Lazar:

Reference is made to your request of May 1, 1982, under the Freedom of Information Act, and our response of May 14, 1982.

A search of the central records systems and the Elsur Index of this office was conducted and no records identifiable with the persons, publications or organizations set forth in your request could be located, with the following exceptions:

1. The John Birch Society: One reference to this organization was located. This office has been instructed by Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Headquarters in Washington, D.C., however, to advise you that procedures for processing materials pertaining to that portion of your request will be the subject of further correspondence.

2. The Minutemen: References to three main investigative files were located, and seven instances were noted where the name of the organization was indexed to other files. The Minutemen investigation originated in and was coordinated by the Kansas City, Missouri, field office, and as most of the records compiled during the investigation are maintained at Kansas City, we are forwarding your request there. You will be apprised of the total number of pages comprising the investigation which are maintained in all field offices which participated, including this office. Kansas City will also provide you with an estimate of any duplication fees which might be anticipated in processing your request.

Enclosures (7)

3. Truth about Civil Turmoil (TACT): One main "dead" file, in which no active investigation occurred, was located, and five instances noted where the organization's name was indexed to files concerning other individuals or organizations. The main file consists of three documents, two of which, consisting of one page each, are being released to you with excisions made pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552, Subsection (b) (7) (C), which protects investigatory records compiled for law enforcement purposes, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of another person. One document consisting of one page, is being withheld in its entirety pursuant to the foregoing Subsection and to Subsection (D), which protects similar materials where disclosure would reveal the identity of an individual who has furnished information to the FBI under confidential circumstances or reveal information furnished only by such a person and not apparently known to the public or otherwise accessible to the FBI by overt means.

With regard to the five instances where the organization's name was indexed to other files, three documents, each consisting of one page, are being released to you with excisions pursuant to Subsection (C), and two documents, each consisting of two pages, are being withheld in their entirety pursuant to Subsections (C) and (D).

To summarize, as to this portion of your request, you are being provided with copies of five responsive documents, totalling five pages, and you are being denied copies of three documents, totalling five pages.

4. The National Youth Alliance: One reference to a main investigative file was located, and two instances noted wherein the name of the organization was indexed to another file. The investigation originated in and was coordinated by the Washington, D.C., field office. Your request is being forwarded there and procedures should be instituted similar to those described above with regard to the referral of your request concerning the Minutemen.

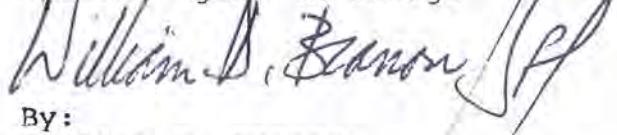
5. "The Crusader" Newspaper: One instance was noted wherein the name of this publication was indexed to an investigative file concerning an individual. three documents were retrieved pertaining to this reference, and two, each consisting of one page, are being released to you with excisions pursuant to Subsections (C) and (D). One document, consisting of one page, is being withheld in its entirety pursuant to Subsections (C) and (D).

The foregoing information constitutes the net result of search, review and processing procedures performed by this office in response to your request of May 1, 1982. You are being provided herewith one copy each of seven excised documents, totalling seven pages; and you are being denied four documents, totalling six pages.

If you desire, you may submit an appeal from any denial contained herein. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy (Attention: Office of Information and Privacy), United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, within thirty days from receipt of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal". Please cite the name of the office to which your original request was directed.

Very truly yours,

Allen H. McCreight
Special Agent in Charge

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "William D. Branon", followed by a large, stylized flourish or initial "A".

By:
William D. Branon
Assistant Special Agent in Charge

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14 Richmond News Leader, Friday, Oct. 1, 1971

Brown: 'Police Work in Fear'

By MARY LACY

Some American leaders with dictatorial ambitions are conspiring to "neutralize and destroy the effectiveness of our local police forces," according to a retired Detroit police officer.

Speaking at a program last night sponsored by the Richmond Area TACT (Truth About Civil Turmoil) Committee, retired police lieutenant Leland Brown said that as a result of this "conspiracy" and public apathy about it, police officers work in fear.

"Not fear of another man in a physical sense," he said "but a far more devastating fear of being criticized if he uses any force, of . . . verbal abuse if he's misunderstood, a fear of public ridicule or of losing his job or his pension."

Brown addressed some 70 persons at George Wythe High School in a talk entitled "Take the Hands Off the Police."

Police, he also said, are not quitting in large numbers because of inadequate pay but because of lack of public moral support.

And, he said, federal aid to local police forces ultimately leads to federal control.

A sheet printed by the local TACT group and distributed at the meeting stated that federal aid to local law enforcement is part of a scheme to place control of local government "in the hands of federal bureaucrats."

"This is the same route by which we have already lost control of our schools," it warned.

Scoring legal maneuverings through the courts to minimize criminal punishment and make the criminal a "hero," Brown said "there's more protection for the accused than for the victim of his crime."

However, said the veteran of 25 years of police service, "I am opposed to a police state or excessive police power."

Brown also attacked the U.S. Supreme Court, use of profanity by youth, efforts to pass gun control legislation and the Black Panther party, in his address.

Brown, who also told about riots in Detroit, decried a police force that turns its eyes away from criminal elements burning and looting our cities and then goes out and swears out a warrant on an elderly woman for a barking dog. I've seen it happen."

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Richmond Times
Dispatch
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Speaker Forum Group Formed at Petersburg

Times-Dispatch News Bureau years as an informant for the FBI.

PETERSBURG — A new committee has been formed here to sponsor a series of speakers who are to relate their personal experiences gained through involvement in controversial matters.

X The first speaker, according to C. W. Cover, president of the group — to be known as the TACT Committee — will be Mrs. Julia Brown, a Cleveland Negro who served for nine

Mrs. Brown will speak at 8 p.m. March 28 in the Walnut Hill Elementary School auditorium.

Cover said the committee's name represents its goal of presenting the "Truth About Civil Turmoil."

X He said other officers of the committee are Mrs. Marie Saunders, vice president, and C. Y. Nobles, secretary-treasurer.

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Former Agent For FBI Sets Area Speech

PETERSBURG A— A Negro woman who served nine years as an undercover agent for the FBI will appear in Petersburg March 28, two days before the scheduled appearance by the Rev. Martin Luther King.

Mrs. Julia Brown will speak at 8 p.m. at Walnut Hill School under the auspices of a newly-formed committee which sponsors speakers who are able to relate their experiences gained through involvement in controversial matters.

C. W. Cover, president of TACT, said, "King's appearance is one of the reasons we wanted to bring Mrs. Brown here, but it is not the only reason. We do frankly hope that her appearance will lead to King's trip here being cancelled."

Cover said that while the persons who have organized TACT are individually affiliated with the Conservative Party, TACT itself is not. "We are not a political organization," he said. "The concern is local interest."

The organization was formed in order to have a group which could bear the responsibility for insurance and for renting facilities for a public appearance, after the individuals involved learn that Mrs. Brown was available for a public appearance in this area.

But he said, the group will continue to exist and is now making arrangements for two more speakers to appear later in the year.

TACT's name is formed from the group's goal of telling the "Truth About Civil Turmoil," said Cover.

Mrs. Brown says she joined the Communist Party in the 1950's believing she was joining a civil rights group, but quit the party after she learned its true identity. Reporting what she learned to the FBI, she said, she was then asked to rejoin the party as an agent for the FBI.

She served in this capacity for nine years and in 1962 surfaced to testify before the House Committee on Un-American Activities. She identified more than 100 alleged members of the Communist Party in the Cleveland, Ohio area.

In a number of speeches across the country, she has declared that "Communists are not interested in helping Negroes but are only using us and the so-called civil rights movement to advance their own goal of world conquest."

Her autobiography, "I Testified," is published by Western Islands.

Cover said other officers of the committee are Mrs. Marie Saunders, vice president, and Nobles, secretary.

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'Communist for FBI' To Speak in Area

In advance of appearances of the Rev. Martin Luther King in the Tri-City area Saturday, Julia Brown, a Negro who worked nine years as a secret operative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will speak Thursday night at Walnut Hill Elementary School.

Mrs. Brown will speak about civil rights and "the frightening background of Martin Luther King" at 8 p.m.

The appearance of the ex-operative will be under the sponsorship of the TACT "Truth About Civil Turmoil" Committee of Petersburg. C. W. Cover is the group's president. The meeting is open to the public, of all races, at no charge.

Mrs. Brown first came in contact with the Communist party while campaigning for a candidate for the Cleveland,

Ohio, city council. She joined the party, having been led to believe, she said, she was joining a "civil rights" organization which was working for the betterment of Negroes.

Nine months later she quit the party when, she said, she came to realize the Communist party was a "conspiracy and trying to destroy my country." She contacted the FBI and was asked to associate herself once again with the party as an undercover operative, where she remained nine years.

She later testified before the House Un-American Activities Committee, telling of Communist tactics in fund-raising and racial discrimination with the party structure.

In her HUAC testimony Mrs. Brown revealed the identities of more than 100 alleged members of the Communist party in the Cleveland area.

TACT President Cover said Mrs. Brown's story is packed with her intense sense of the urgency of the hour—and her concern that Americans appreciate their great heritage and defend and improve it with their lives.

Following her appearance at Walnut Hill Thursday, Mrs. Brown will travel to Richmond, where she will speak at 8 p.m. Friday at John Marshall High School, under the sponsorship of the American Opinion Library.

A spokesman for that organization said her appearance "was arranged because of the expected arrival" of Dr. King in the city Saturday.

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An Outstanding American

MRS. JULIA BROWN

Will Speak Tomorrow Night On

**"My Experiences In The
Communist Party"****8 P.M. Thursday, March 28****Walnut Hill School**

(Donation: \$1)

Presented By **T.A.C.T.***

Committee of Petersburg

C. W. Cover, President***Truth About Civil Turmoil**(Indicate page, name of
newspaper, city and state.)*Petersburg, Va.
Progress Daily*

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DIRECTOR, FBI
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of "The Crusader" Newsletter **[REDACTED]**

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identified by the issue as September - October, 1967.

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[REDACTED] made the photostat available on 2/12/68. **[REDACTED]** had received
it from the Headquarters of the National Socialist White
People's Party (NSWPP) in Arlington.

The Bureau is requested to advise if there is
already established a source for this newsletter or if
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Richmond (157-863)

DATE: 3/7/68

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT:

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Reurlet 2/21/68 enclosing a copy of the September-October, 1967 issue of "The Crusader".

It will not be necessary to furnish additional copies of "The Crusader". If you receive information that this publication is received by any one in the Armed Forces, you should bring this to the Bureau's attention and furnish a copy of the publication and the envelope in which it was received. This publication frequently contains statements which could be considered seditious, and the Department is interested in receiving any information indicating it is received by an active member of the Armed Forces.

In other instances, it will not be necessary to furnish a copy of the publication although it would be informative to know the identities of any persons in your division who receive it.

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October 1, 1982

Mr. Ernie Lazar
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SUBJECT OF REQUEST:
TRUTH ABOUT CIVIL TURMOIL
(TACT)

Dear Mr. Lazar:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated May 1, 1982, and our letter of May 18, 1982.

Please be advised the Pittsburgh Office has considered for release 3 "see" references (consisting of 3 pages) identifiable with the subject of your request.

Enclosed in their entirety is a copy of three pages from our files containing information identifiable with Truth About Civil Turmoil (TACT).

Sincerely yours,

WALTER A. WEINER
Special Agent in Charge

BY:

Michael J. Misko
MICHAEL J. MISKO
Supervisory Special Agent

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Geo. Schuyler To Talk In Wilkinsburg

~~George A. Schuyler is returning to Pittsburgh.~~

The former Courier editorial writer and columnist will speak on "The Negro Revolutionary Movement" Thursday, August 29th at the Callender Memorial Church at 754 Ross Ave. in Wilkinsburg starting at 8 P.M.

The meeting is open to the public and admission is free.

Author of a recent autobiography, "Black and Conservative," Mr. Schuyler is Book Review Editor of the Manchester Union Leader; Analysis Editor of the "Review of the News;" feature writer for the North American Newspaper Alliance, and lecturer for the American Opinion Speakers' Bureau.

Mr. Schuyler's talk is being sponsored by the Wilkinsburg Committee of TAC (Truth About Civil Turmoil).

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Ex-FBI Agent Talk Concerns Revolution

"The Revolution Is Planned!" will be the topic of remarks to be given here Friday night by a former undercover agent of the FBI.

Miss Lola Belle Holmes will appear at the Heart-O-Town Motor Inn at 8 p. m. under the sponsorship of Truth About Civil Turmoil (TACT) Committee.

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The Charleston
Daily MailCharleston,
West Va.

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'Communist Front'**OEO Believed
'Financing Mobs'****By Sandra Grant
Staff Writer**

Lola Belle Holmes, who was once decorated for bravery by the American Legion, said in Charleston Friday night that the Communist party is using the Office of Economic Opportunity to "finance the mobs and revolutionaries who are right now plotting the destruction and murder of our police."

The Communist Party also controls the civil rights movement, the tax-exempt foundations and the United Auto Workers, Mrs. Holmes said.

She spoke at a meeting of the Truth About Civil Turmoil (TACT) Committee. She explained that she worked for seven years as an undercover agent for the FBI and infiltrated the Communist party.

In her role as an undercover agent, she said, she worked as an organizer of civil rights groups for the Communists. She learned, she said, that the Communists are trying to turn blacks and white against each other in hopes of destroying the United States from within.

Communists, according to Mrs. Holmes, have made Negroes believe that their lot is worse than it really is. She said she realizes that Negroes have been mistreated, but in many cases Negroes have brought it on themselves.

SHE POINTED out that she owns a building which has Negro tenants. "They allow their children to roam the streets and

vandalize the building," she said. "They've done \$15,000 worth of vandalism to that building, and I can't get a loan to repair it. People make slums. Slums don't make people."

Laws can deliver rights for Negroes, she said, but they can't deliver acceptance. The only way Negroes can gain acceptance is through hard work and decent behavior.

"The Communist party is behind the voting rights movement," she said. "It's astounding but true that we've already submitted to the Communists. The Johnson voting rights bill was written by the Communist party."

She said she didn't want to "get into any arguments about the merits or demerits of a voting rights bill." What's important, she said, is that people realize the part the Communists played in getting the bill passed.

"The red shadow still breathes and glows over America," Mrs. Holmes said. "There is a ghostly red presence in America."

Mrs. Holmes said she is "giving all my strength and energy" to awakening people to the dangers of communism. She said she is constantly harassed by conspirators. Everytime she goes on a lecture tour, she said, conspirators manage to have her luggage lost. She said she has lost \$6,000 worth of luggage in the last three years because of the efforts of people who want to stop her lecture tours.

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The Charleston
GazetteCharleston,
West Va.

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Unit Disputes Rights Effort

Group Formed by Two
Ex-Troopers Calls
King Hypocritical

Staff Correspondent 72

JERSEY CITY—Formation of an organization critical of the civil rights movement was announced here yesterday. The group, which calls itself Truth About Civil Turmoil (TACT) is led by Charles F. Russell of Lakewood and George Demetry of Jackson, both former state troopers.

Russell, in announcing organization of the group at the Hotel Plaza here, described Dr. Martin Luther King as "a hypocritical exploiter of American Negroes" and described the civil rights movement as "Communist directed."

Demetry, who also serves as Atlantic County section leader of the John Birch Society, declined today's award by St. Peter's College here of an honorary doctor of laws degree to King.

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NEWARK EVENING NEWS
NEWARK, N.J.

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4 Clergymen Assail TACT

Rap Group Planning to
Picket Dr. King
in Montclair

Four Montclair clergymen yesterday issued a statement calling the New Jersey TACT (Truth About Civil Turmoil) Committee "Tactless."

TACT has said it would silently picket when Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., speaks today at 3:30 p.m. at Montclair High School in a service honoring Rev. D. C. Rice, retiring pastor of the Union Baptist Church, Montclair.

"We think it regrettable that a group which elects to call itself TACT should be so tactless as to picket an occasion when the religious community is joined in celebration of one man's ministry among us," the statement declared.

The four clergymen, who call themselves The Covenanters, are: Msgr. Thomas C. Cunningham of Immaculate Conception Church, chairman; Rev. N. Wesley Haynes of the First Congregational Church, co-chairman and president of the Montclair Minister's Association; Rabbi Jeshua Schnitzer of Temple Shomrei Emunah and Rev. C. Lincoln McGee of the Trinity United Presbyterian Church, president of the Montclair Clergy Club.

TACT has charged that Dr. King was present in a Communist training camp in Tennessee on Labor Day weekend in 1957. To this allegation the four clergymen said, "He needs no defense from us; his life of non-violence speaks for itself. To equate such a commitment to Communism as TACT seeks to do is a little short of ridiculous."

"We are certain this is the way all level-headed and responsible citizens of the community will see the matter. Guilt by association is an old and discredited technique employed by extremists of both the right and left," they continued.

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King calls non-violence still the best answer

By JAMES McHUGH

Non-violence is still the best answer to this nation's civil rights problems, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. told an audience of 2,000 persons at Montclair High School yesterday.

He said he was not forsaking non-violence. "I will not let anybody turn me around on that point," he said.

"If every Negro turns to violence, I will stand up and say that is not the way.

"The old eye-for-an-eye philosophy leaves everybody blind."

RIOT WEAKNESS

He continued:

"The weakness of a riot is that it can always be halted by a superior force. I plead to the conscience of America—I will never appeal through violence."

Dr. King appeared at the meeting to honor the Rev. D. C. Rice, who is retiring as pastor of Union Baptist Church of Montclair.

"We have made too much progress through non-violence to turn now to violence," he said.

He said the greatest ecumenical movement in America was last year's march of Jews, Protestants and Catholics in the Selma, Ala., voting rights drive.

He interspersed his remarks with songs and prayers.



Photo by William Clark

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. at news conference in Montclair

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marks with Biblical references, remarks which were received with enthusiasm by the audience.

The bulk of the audience appeared to be middle aged, middle class members of both the Negro and white communities.

At a press conference before his talk, Dr. King was asked to assess the role of Stokeley Carmichael, chairman of the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee, in the Atlanta riots.

Dr. King declined to comment on Carmichael's role, saying that "a man is considered innocent until proven guilty."

KING CONCERNED

He added:

"It concerns me that there is a continuing existence of conditions that cause people to feel so desperate that they turn to violence."

On the subject of the \$10,000 bail placed on Carmichael after his arrest last week in Atlanta on a charge of inciting to riot, Dr. King said:

"It was higher than usual in a case like that."

Dr. King, a former resident of the Atlanta neighborhood affected by the riot, said he was not familiar enough with present conditions in the area to make any comment on the cause of the riots. He said, however, that Negro residents there wanted SNCC to get out of their neighborhood.

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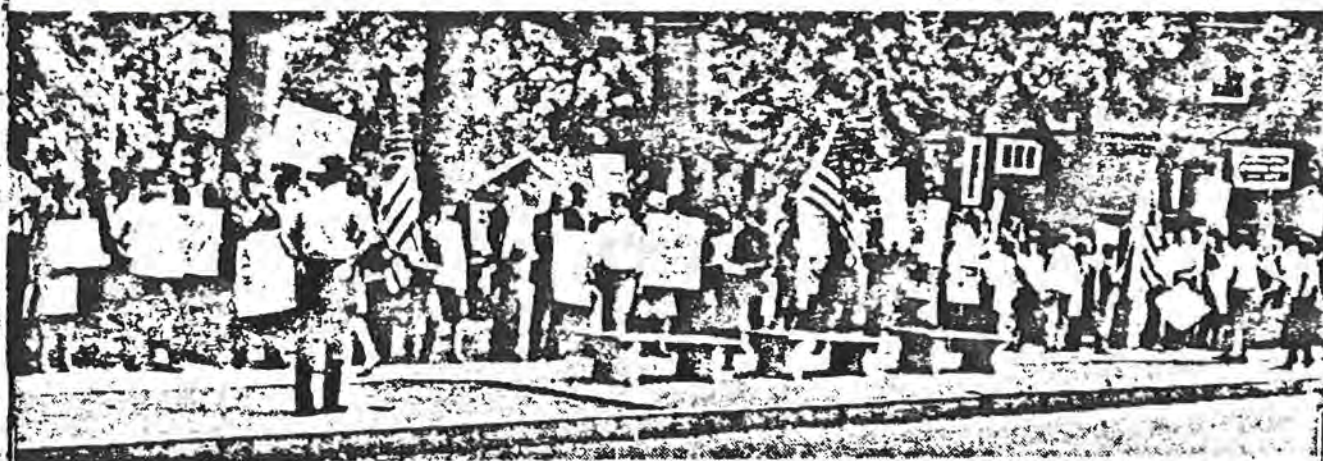
Across the street from the high school, 50 white pickets, who said they were members of Truth About Civil Turmoil - TACT - demonstrated in a counter-rally.

Charles Russell Jr. of Lakewood, state chairman of TACT, said that the aim of his group is to have the civil rights movement investigated in an "open hearing."

Russell claimed his organization is fearful of Communist infiltration of the civil rights movement.

No incidents occurred between the groups attending both meetings.

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Members of Truth About Civil Turmoil appeared at Montclair High School to picket Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Photo by William Clere



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"The Star Ledger", September 12, 1966, page 1,
published daily at Newark, New Jersey, stated that King had
addressed an audience of 2,000 persons at Montclair High
School on September 11, 1966, and had pledged to resist
violence and to adhere to non-violence in his efforts in
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Re Newark airtel and LHM dated 9/3/66 to Bureau
(copies to Atlanta and Chicago) and Newark teletype to Bureau,
9/11/66. (u)

Enclosed herewith are copies of LHM dated as above
as follows: eight for Bureau, two Atlanta, and one Chicago
(for information in view of KING's activities in Chicago). (u)

Copies of LHM are also being furnished to [REDACTED] Newark;
USA, Newark; and Secret Service, Newark. (u)

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Arts and Letters Committee of Fairleigh Dickinson University had invited Martin Luther King to speak on October 29, 1966, at 8:30 p.m., in the auditorium of the Bergen County Vocational and Technical High School in Hackensack, New Jersey.

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An admission fee of \$1.00 will be charged and the auditorium will be open to the public. (u)

"The Record", Hackensack, New Jersey, daily newspaper, on October 15, 1966, Page 7, Week End Edition, carried an article titled "King Will Speak At Bergen Tech." This article reads as follows: (u)

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"Dr. Martin Luther King will speak October 29 at 8:30 P. M. in the new County auditorium at Bergen County Vocational and Technical High School in Hackensack. (u)

"Dr. King's appearance is sponsored by the Arts and Letters Committee of Fairleigh Dickinson University, a student organization. The program is open to the general public, but there will be an admission charge." (u)

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**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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On Saturday, October 29, 1966, at 8:30 p.m., at the Bergen Technical High School Theater, 200 Hackensack Avenue, Hackensack, New Jersey, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., under the auspices of Fairleigh Dickinson University's Arts and Letters Commission of the Student Council, Tenack Campus, spoke on nonviolence and the misunderstanding which exists between individuals, ethnic, and racial groups in America. (u) **B7C**

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"The Morning Call", a Paterson, New Jersey, daily newspaper, on Monday, October 31, 1966, carried an article titled "King, Aids Clerics' Aid." It was written by Roger Doirne, Staff Writer, and was carried on page seven of this edition. It reads as follows: (u)

"Dr. Martin Luther King, in an appeal for religious persons to enter into channels of communications that would lead to understanding between Negroes and whites in the nation, talked before an audience of 300 persons Saturday at the Bergen County Vocational High School. (u)

"The Nobel-Prize winner and civil rights leader talked and answered questions for 2 hours before an audience that filled only one-third of the auditorium and was bulwarked by a delegation of Roman Catholic seminarians numbering over 100. (u)

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"Describing riots as temper tantrums leading to pointless death and destruction, Dr. King said, "For those of us share the Judeo-Christian insights into the dignity of man, let there be channels of talk and understanding before the road to chaos becomes a reality because Negroes are economically deprived". Dr. King appeared under the auspices of the Fairleigh Dickinson University's Arts and Letters Commission of the Student Council, Teaneck campus." (u)

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FBI undercover agent to address local groups

PLAINFIELD — A Negro student, who was an undercover operative for the FBI, will address the Plainfield Support Your Local Police Committee Nov. 12 at 8:15 p.m. in the Storr-Richie VFW Post Home, North Plainfield.

The following night Gerald Kirk, 22, of Chicago, will speak before the Truth About Civil Turmoil (TACT) group in Somerville High School.

Kirk, when he was 17, was asked by the FBI to join and report on radical student activity at Chicago University. He joined

the Students for a Democratic Society, W. E. B. DuBois Clubs and the Communist party.

He testified on activities of the groups before the House Internal Security Committee. Kirk will describe his role in a speech, "Inside the Spider's Web."

Jim Hirschak, an officer of SYLP, said the group decided to sponsor Kirk last night after reviewing FBI reports showing that 561 law enforcement officers were slain in the line of duty in the 1960s.

The report notes that 86 policemen were slain last year and that an average of 17 of every 100 police officers were assaulted in 1969.

"We are publicizing these figures reluctantly because we do not enjoy highlighting increased danger under which our police must work," Hirschak said. "Our major reason for calling attention to the statistics is to show our fellow citizens that the need to support your local police grows daily."

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U.S. Issue Seen Moral

Dr. King Says Nation Must Go All Out for Viet Peace

By DAVID C. BERLINER
Staff Correspondent

SPRINGFIELD — Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. told an audience of over 1,000 at the Jonathan Dayton Regional High School here last night that the United States has come to "a point where we will have to go all out to have a negotiated settlement." He did not come in contact with a group of pickets outside the school.

The Nobel Peace Prize winner appeared at the school as a guest of Temple Shalom in a benefit for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, mainstay of the civil rights movement. He described his speech, entitled "Revolution in Religion," as an attempt to discuss "the really pressing issues facing mankind."

"We don't have to convince anyone of our military power," Dr. King told his listeners. "We have to convince everyone of our moral power. Life is now a choice of either non-violence or non-existence."

Explaining that it is unnecessary to turn to ideologies other than democracy, Dr. King stated, "Our foreign policy must be a policy of positive action, not a negative policy of reaction to communism."

Cheers, Catcalls

His suggestion that it would be "better" to have Red China sitting in the United Nations brought the loudest response of

the night, a mixture of cheers and several catcalls. "If those were boos," he told his hecklers, "I am all for dissent."

Dr. King, whom Rabbi Israel S. Dresner of Temple Shalom introduced as a "Great American," also pointed out that "anyone who says anything about the war is called disloyal," but we are "confusing dissent with disloyalty."

The civil rights leader was whisked through the rear door of the modern auditorium, missing a gathering of some 30 pickets at the main entrance

who withstood an intermittent drizzle and the criticisms of onlookers, to protest his appearance.

After receiving a standing ovation from the enthusiastic audience, Dr. King declared "America has brought the nation and the world to the threshold of the future," but has a "moral and spiritual lag" with three basic evils: Racial injustice, poverty, and war.

'Amazing Changes'

"Religious institutions have all too often been the tailights instead of the headlights . . . the echoes instead of the voices" in the fight for human rights, he stated. In recent years, however, he added, "we have seen amazing changes."

The 37-year-old leader cited Chicago, a current area of turmoil, as an example of "what is going on in most other cities in our country." General unemployment in Chicago, he pointed out, is 2.6 per cent while Negro unemployment there is 12 per cent. Why create a "society of people who have no stake in it," he asked, "These are the people who will riot."

Recent fair housing legislation passed in New Jersey drew praise from the speaker who added "the important thing is to enforce this legislation, here and everywhere."

King also ~~stated~~ his feelings on other issues. "Black supremacy is as wrong as white supremacy," he replied when queried on the Black Muslim philosophy. Asked about rioting during the past year, he responded: "The under-privileged in the north have not yet felt the gains made in the South. Our job is to organize the unorganized in the North."

Anti-King Groups

The sign-carrying demonstrators outside, most of them residents of Morris and Sussex counties, claimed membership in two "anti-King group—Concerned Citizens of New Jersey and the Truth About Civil Turmoil (also known as TACT).

Some of their India-ink posters read "Apartment Owners Beware, Dr. King Is Here," "Welcome Agitator," "For Non-Violent Riots See M. L. K.," and "King Is No King of Peace."

TACT representatives also were situated among the watching crowd with leaflets attempting to tie communism with Dr. King and the civil rights movement. "You can steal these from us," the leaflet carriers told spectators, "because we aren't allowed to pass them out. Township law, you know."

Douglas Dickerson of Dover, a member of the TACT delegation, explained that "some of us might support the Negro's cause if there were no signs of leftist affiliations. If that were true, they'd probably be as free as Mother's Day. We're trying to show what the other side is."

Other Answers

Answers ~~from~~ other pickets, asked if they would back the

civil rights movement if all political connotations were removed, ran the gamut from, "Yes, I imagine so," to "No . . . are you kidding me?"

Joseph Dombrowski, chairman of the C. C. of N. J., termed his group "middle of the road," whose major objective is "against the civil rights movement, but not against civil rights."

Dr. King, who flew here yesterday morning from Alabama and returned early today, greeted members of the audience at a reception at the temple following his speech.

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Newark News Photo

PROTEST—About 30 pickets walk outside Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield opposing Rev. Martin Luther King.



REV. MARTIN L. KING
Speaks In Springfield

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View Special Film On Civil Rights

Hudson County TACT Committee Tuesday night presented a movie entitled "Anarchy U.S.A." to 35 persons at Recreation Plaza, Secaucus. TACT stands for Truth About Civil Turmoil, according to Joseph Vodolo, a committee member.

The film tells about what it claims is the Communist-backed conspiracies in the civil rights movements today. Vodolo said, "It tells of the Communist influence in the civil rights movements."

It is being showed at various points throughout Hudson County. Alex Gallo, of 2305 Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City, is chairman of TACT.

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THE COURIER-NEWS, Tuesday, Nov. 4, 1969

Ex-Pueblo Crewman To Speak in Plainfield

PLAINFIELD — Former Pueblo crewman Lee R. Hayes, who spent 11 months last year in North Korean prisons, will speak at a public meeting Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Park Hotel ballroom.

His appearance is sponsored by the Greater Plainfield TRAIN Committee (To Restore American Independence Now), an ad hoc committee of the John Birch Society.

Hayes' topic, "Remember the Pueblo," will describe his capture and imprisonment.

In speaking throughout the nation, Hayes says he is convinced that "more Americans must become aware of the threats to our freedoms."

Instead of re-enlisting in the Navy, Hayes said he decided to "join the John Birch Society because it is the most effective organization that is working to alert our people to the dangers we face, and also offers them a positive program."

Local sponsors of TRAIN are Alex Ferrante of Edison, Raymond Dinger and Bruce Simson of Plainfield, and Miss Carol Cotton of North Plainfield. Information about Saturday's meeting may be obtained by contacting Michael Barletta of Lee Place, South Plainfield.

TRAIN says its main objective is to "examine the purposes and conduct of U. S. foreign policy" and it endorses the statement of the late Gen. Douglas MacArthur that "appeasement begets new and bloodier war." (4)

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TRUTH ABOUT CIVIL TURMOIL (TACT)

TACT is an anti-communist organization, set up as a speakers' bureau to present public lectures which attempt to show a tie-up between the civil disobedience in the civil rights and campus protest movements with international communism.

The TACT organization is formed in the nature of local neighborhood committees to present these speakers to the public in large public halls in an attempt to create an awareness in what they feel is an apathetic public.

Speakers they have presented have included [REDACTED]

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o/s [REDACTED] GARY ALLEN, former student at Stanford University, who participated in the anti-Vietnam war demonstrations in the San Francisco-Berkeley area in order to obtain material for future publication; [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] has stated that from an examination of the organizational makeup of TACT and its literature outlets, such as the Montebello Opinion Bookstore in Montebello, California, it would appear that TACT is a speakers' bureau front for the John Birch Society.



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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Post Office Box 1158
Newark, New Jersey 07101

In Reply, Please Refer to
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April 18, 1983

Ernie Lazar
Public Issues Research
495 Ellis Street, #1753
San Francisco, California 94102

Dear Mr. Lazar:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts request dated April 9, 1982.

A search of the Newark central indices located information identifiable with the John Birch Society. To insure all records relative to this matter are processed, your request is being referred to FBI Headquarters for appropriate handling. All correspondence pertaining to this matter will come directly from FBI Headquarters.

One "see" reference was located that is identifiable with TRAIN - To Restore American Independence Now. A "see" reference is an instance where the name appears in the file of another individual and/or organization. Only portions in which the name appears will be processed. The attached see reference consists of one page with excisions made therein.

One "main" file and three "see" references were located that are identifiable with TACT - Truth About Civil Turmoil. The one main file consists of 34 pages of which 18 pages are being released with excisions made therein. One see reference consisting of two pages is being withheld in its entirety. One see reference of two pages and one see reference of one page are being released with excisions made therein.

Two "main" files were located that are identifiable with the Minutemen. The two main files originated in and were coordinated by the Kansas City and Albany Divisions. As most of the records compiled during these investigations are maintained by our Kansas City and Albany Offices, we are forwarding your request to those divisions. You will be apprised of the approximate number of pages comprising these main files, maintained in all field divisions participating in the investigations including this office. The Kansas City and Albany Divisions will also provide you an estimate of any duplication fees which might be anticipated in processing your request.

In addition, the Newark Office located eight "see" references consisting of ten pages. Processing of these documents by the Newark Office will be held in abeyance until advised by the Kansas City Office that fees have been determined.

One "see" reference identifiable with American Independence Party consisting of two pages is being withheld in its entirety.

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In addition, the Newark Office located two "see" references consisting of five pages that are identifiable with Liberty Lobby and four "see" references consisting of five pages identifiable with National Youth Alliance. Processing of these documents by the Newark Office will be held in abeyance until advised by the Washington Field Office that fees have been determined.

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One "see" reference which may have been identifiable with Review of the News Magazine was destroyed in accordance with prior routine destruction procedures.

In our letter to you dated April 20, 1982 we inadvertently advised we located information identifiable with The John Birch Society Bulletin. After re-searching our indices more thoroughly the Newark indices reflected no information identifiable with The John Birch Society Bulletin.

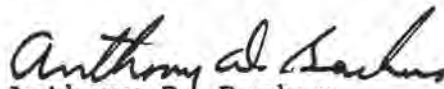
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Mr. Ernie Lazar
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Dear Mr. Lazar:

As set forth in our letter to you dated June 17, 1982, a search of the central indices of the Memphis Office concerning Movement to Restore Decency (MOTOREDE), Truth About Civil Turmoil (TACT), American Party, Christian Anti-Communism Crusade, and Christian Crusade revealed nine references consisting of eleven pages. Five of these references consisting of five pages are enclosed. Excisions have been made in order to protect materials which are exempted from disclosure by the following subsection of Title 5, United States Code, Section 552:

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Very truly yours,

William J. Beavers
Special Agent in Charge

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Supervisory Special Agent

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Birchite Priest Attacks Bishop

By LLOYD HOLBECK

A Catholic priest criticized the Most Rev. Joseph A. Durick, apostolic administrator of the Diocese of Nashville, at Immaculate Conception Church last night — and drew applause from the audience of about 125 for doing it.

The speaker was the Rev. Francis E. Fenton of Bridgeport, Conn., a member of the national council of the John Birch Society. The main purpose of his talk was to promote the Movement to Restore Decency (Moto-rede), a Birch Society ad hoc committee against pornography, drug abuse and other "signs of moral decay."

Father Fenton, who blamed Communists for this country's moral problems, said the time had passed when he looked to the churches to oppose communism. Many individual clergy are fighting, he said, but the silence of the church leadership is "deafening."

In an aside, he added, "I'm tempted to make some strong comments on this Bishop Durick." Then he condemned the

bishop for taking part in a memorial march to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and for being photographed with a Russian clergyman when the National Council of Churches' general board met in Memphis last winter.

A young couple in the audience walked out, but the rest of the audience applauded.

Later Father Fenton, again to applause, remarked he admired the writings of the Most Rev. William L. Adrian, bishop of the diocese whose duties were transferred to Bishop Durick about five years ago when Bishop Adrian became ill. "It's too bad he's not bishop of this diocese," the priest said of Bishop Adrian.

Father Fenton denounced sex education in schools, saying this is the responsibility of parents. Sex, he said, is a tool used with much success through the years by Communists to weaken this country's will to resist.

He also declared anything less than life in prison is too lenient for narcotics pushers, called the Vietnam War immoral because American troops "are not allowed to fight to win," and said Moto-rede could change the nation's tide of immorality because "great things have always been accomplished by the relatively few."

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'Double Agent' Hits Rights Act

By FRANK GIBSON

A Negro woman who claims to have been a double agent for the FBI blasted the U.S. civil rights movement here last night as being Communist inspired.

Mrs. Julia Brown, speaking before a packed crowd at the Noel Hotel, added:

"Riots are organized and are not spontaneous as some would have us believe. They are provoked by civil rights movements which are Communist inspired."

MRS. BROWN, who says she exposed 120 American Communist party members during a nine-year stint as an FBI



Mrs. Julia Brown
'Riots organized'

undercover agent, addressed special meeting of TACT, an organization advocating "truth about civil turmoil."

Mrs. Brown, praised President-elect Richard Nixon for "doing what should have been done a long time ago."

The woman, acknowledging that she was tricked in 1947 into joining what she said was a Communist party front organization disguised as a civil rights organization said her views are based on evidence.

In a wide ranging talk, she also said:

- The Chicago riots during the Democratic National Convention were Communist inspired. I commend Mayor John Daley and say 50 cheers for the Chicago Police Department for their handling of the situation.

- Numerous labor unions are filled with Communists and some are actually Communist-initiated unions.

- Martin Luther King was killed because he made the party unhappy by seeking advice from outside the party.

She also said King was being groomed as Robert Kennedy's vice presidential running mate.

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Robert Welch Predicts Famine

Birch Society Head Claims
Rationing Would Help
Plans Of 'Insiders'

By K. W. COOK

Robert Welch, founder and head of the John Birch Society, predicted last night a famine is planned for the United States to enable "insiders" to ration food.

He would not label the insiders "Communists," but indicated strongly they were federal officials controlling farm acreage and food shipments to Soviet satellites.

He told an estimated 450 persons who went to his lecture at the Chisca-Plaza that rationing is one of the strongest weapons in wiping out resistance to centralized government.

In his 100-minute talk, Mr. Welch said Russia would step up the pretense of breaking with Peking and the Soviets will nestle closer to the United States.

He said the "master plan" of Communists for world conquest is to play the United States, the Reds' "friendly enemy," against China, their "hostile friends," and bring the plan to fruition under the United Nations.

His talk, titled "The Tragedy of Vietnam," charged that the United States was shipping wheat and strategic goods to communist satellite countries which in turn deliver them to North Vietnam by devious routes. He said that without American aid, Red governments would crumble and the Vietnam War end "practically overnight."

Earlier, he recounted at an afternoon news conference battles and "oceans and plenty" of mistakes by the society.

His talk with the press was one-sided because he's nearly impossible to interrupt.



Robert Welch
—Staff Photo

Of mistakes, he said his biggest was in thinking the society had enough strength to impeach Earl Warren, Chief Justice of the United States.

Since the Warren attack, he said the society has grown to a total membership of between 60,000 and 100,000. But a membership drive launched in 1965 to double the number has not been successful.

"The many smears launched against us have begun to take effect in the last couple of years," he said. "It's harder to draw people to our meetings and even harder to get them to join."

But, he said, if the society has not doubled in size it has lost effectiveness because of the use of such ad hoc committees. Truth Against Civic Turmoil (TACT) and To Restore American Independence, Now TRAIN.

He claimed credit for saving Chicago this summer from riots but said, with regret, that they were visited on Detroit instead.

"Chicago had been selected as a target city (by Communist led agitators)," he said, but our TACT committees immediately began working there and forced those who formulated it to move to Detroit."

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American Party Reorganizes, Looks To 1970 Races

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By WILLIAM B. STREET

The American Party, now in the process of reorganization, has come up with a new chairman in Shelby and has set sights on winning some legislative posts in 1970.

Jim Doyle, head of Doyle Enterprises, is the new Shelby chairman, moving up from his recent role as public relations director of William J. Davis' campaign in the eighth Congressional District.

Doyle said co-chairmen have been appointed for the three congressional districts which involve Shelby and named Emmette Baker in the Seventh, Larry McKee in the Eighth and Otis Gray in the Ninth.



Otis Gray

Baker is an employee of the Memphis Light, Gas and Water Division, McKee is a Memphis police lieutenant and Gray a businessman and former president of East Memphians for Better Government. Baker is a ramrod in the Citizens Council.

Doyle said plans are underway for formation of a women's division and youth teams and for building of a ward and precinct organization.

Immediate goal for the party will be capture of at least two seats in the state Senate and two in the House in the 1970 elections, Doyle said. Just who the candidates will be and the target districts have not been chosen, but it is a safe bet that districts involving the Frayser and Whitehaven areas will be looked at closely. Those are sectors in which the leadership of the new party feels it has the most strength.

A congressional candidate will be fielded in at least one of the three West Tennessee districts, possibly in all, Doyle said.

An effort is being made to get some American Party representation on county election commissions, whose members are scheduled to be appointed in Nashville tomorrow by the state Board of Elections. This must be regarded as a vain hope.

Present plans do not contemplate any drive by the party to win courthouse posts in 1970. These races are supposedly nonpartisan but that hasn't stopped Democrats and Republicans from choosing up sides and it likely will have little effect on the American Party.

All this organization is going to require some money and the new party plans to kick off a series of fund raising dinners April 18.

It appears that Doyle's group will make an effort, at least at the start, to put candidates in the field who might stand a chance of winning rather than concentrating on quantity.

This is a noble political aim and, if the American Party can hold to it, something of a miracle will have been accomplished.

It could turn into a testing ground for hacks who couldn't cut the mustard as Democrats or Republicans and are trying to gain a lease on life with a new party.

The Republicans in Shelby have done a pretty good job of keeping party members in line and eliminating candidates they don't want but just how much longer they can keep this up is a matter for conjecture. It is a familiar problem to Democrats.

Of course a screening committee could withhold party funds from non-approved candidates but this isn't always too discouraging. If the nuisance value is great enough, any candidate can find the wherewithall to pay his printing bill.

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Anti-Birch Group Organized

By United Press International

NEW YORK.—A committee of 80 national leaders, including former cabinet members, governors, union chiefs, educators and scientists, have banded together to "expose and correct" the activities of 12 John Birch Society "front" organizations, it was announced today.

The organization of the Council for Civil Responsibility was announced by its chairman, Dr. Arthur Larson, former director of the U.S. Information Agency. Larson said the council will begin a series of daily radio programs to "correct the principal errors currently propagated" by "radical reactionary organizations."

GROWING CONCERN

Larson said the council was formed under sponsorship of the Public Affairs Institute, a non-profit educational organization in Washington, D.C., because of growing concern about the effects of the John Birch Society and related "extremist" groups on "standards of public discussion and responsible behavior in the nation."

The Council reports an "ominous" increase in ultra-right wing radio and television programs. It said these programs now number 7,000 weekly and cost an estimated

\$10 million a year. The Council promised a "sustained, full-time, day-in-and-day-out" program to combat the effect of these programs.

TYPE OF PROGRAM

Larson said the Council's broadcasts will be devoted to presenting first-hand experiences of persons who have suffered as a result of alleged harassing activities of extremists. He said they would expose "spying, nocturnal phone calls, economic and social pressures, stonings and even bombings" as methods used by ultra-rightists.

The "extremist" organizations named by the council are linked to the Birch Society "through top officers or principal financial supporters," the Council said.

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It listed them as Americans for Constitutional Action, America's Future, Christian Crusade, Christian Freedom Foundation, Church League of America, Citizens Foreign Aid Committee, Conservative Society of America, Liberty Lobby, Mahlon Forum, National Economic Council, Dan Smoot Reports, and We, the People.

Larson said "we are told by this propaganda that: as to the executive, four succes-

sive presidents were traitors; as to the judiciary, most of the judges in the highest court should be impeached; as to the legislative, most of the major legislation by Congress is either unconstitutional or socialistic, or both.

"... The unchecked increase in this kind of propaganda is degrading the American political dialogue to such a point as to damage our self-respect at home and our reputation for public responsibility abroad."

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Dear Mr. Lazar:

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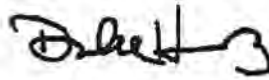
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Sincerely yours,



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Complainant advised she has received letter-head communication from organization called T.A.C.T. (Truth About Civil Turmoil) located at above address. Letter enclosed brochure requesting donations and encouraged attendance to meeting of T.A.C.T. Also enclosed was insert advertising article authored by Gary Allen, "Stanford Univ. Graduate" entitled "The Plan to Burn Los Angeles".

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Charges Communists Cause U.S. Riots

By ANDREA ALEFF

"We want to expose the subversive efforts in this country that are pitting man against man," John McManus, national coordinator of Truth About Civil Turmoil (TACT) committees, told some 75 Downers Grove residents at the American Legion hall Wednesday.

Communists are spreading hatred and creating riots in the United States, McManus said. He describes members of the Communist party as "clever antagonists" who caused turmoil in China, Cuba, and Algeria, and eventually took over all three nations.

"Communists are working among Negroes to get them to hate white men," McManus said. He said "so-called nonviolent" leaders such as H. Rap Brown, Stokeley Carmichael, and Floyd McKissick create turmoil, but "were not even mentioned in the Kerner report on civil disorders."

"President Johnson is pouring taxpayers' money into black ghettos," McManus said. "And we are paying to destroy ourselves."

The lecture was billed as a talk by the reverend Mr. Delmar Dennis, who infiltrated the Ku Klux Klan for the FBI. He testified in the trial of Klan members who were convicted of conspiracy in the 1964 deaths of three civil rights workers near Philadelphia, Miss.

McManus said Dennis could not appear because he is under a subpoena in Mississippi to testify in the alleged murder of a Negro by Klan members.

McManus discussed the history of the KKK and played parts of a recorded radio program in which Dennis discussed his experiences as a Klan member.

"The Klan was formed half out of jest and half out of desperation," McManus said. He said the men who formed the

Klan were "decent Southerners who decided they weren't safe during the era of carpet-bagging politicians."

"The intention of the Klan was not to kill," McManus said. He said the men who first formed the Klan disbanded the organization when some persons demanded that it be used for reprisal.

On the tape recording, Dennis discussed his experience as a member of the White Knights of the KKK and described the White Knights as an extremist group which "invites, not advertises for" members.

Dennis, who testified that Sam Bowers, imperial wizard of the White Knights, ordered the death of one of the three civil rights workers, said Bowers claims he is anti-communist but "everything he has ever done fits in with the Communist movement."

He said Bowers was active in the Communist movement as a student at the University of Southern California in 1946 and 1947.

Dennis said the Klan is just one example that the "enemy is working from within to destroy the American people."

"We must work together until America is restored to its rightful place as a world leader," Dennis said.

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They know who's red, white or blue

By BETTY CROOKES

It may be reverse witch-hunting. Some people here on the North Shore are as flippant about the John Birch Society as its members are purported to be about red communists.

"Look at those American flags," they will say, "you can sure tell what kind of a neighborhood this is!" They talk about TACT and MOTOREDE and TRAIN as sinister fronts for some nameless power structure. And if you want to Support Your Local Police, well, you're a fascist for certain.

What with Flag Day practically upon us (it's Wednesday, the 14th), I've been talking at some length to two people who are Birchers and proud of it.

You want to know how to get in touch with Mrs. J. H. Fall III, Winnetka Chapter Leader of the John Birch Society? You pick up the phone and call her. And you know something else? She's this same quiet-mannered, lady-like well-turned-out matron you probably sat next to in church last Sunday or stood behind while waiting to be seated in the Indian Trail Restaurant. Nice and gracious, and not shrill at all.

AT HER SUGGESTION, our first rendezvous was in the American Opinion Bookstore, 1410 Waukegan Rd., Glenview. We agreed that I would be better prepared for our interview some days later if I had done my homework.

The shop is a mother lode of conservative literature. Small gifts and clever plaques are also for sale. And so are assorted bumper stickers and rhinestone encrusted American flags in jewelry form (Mrs. Fall is not a bumper sticker buff, but she displays the flag on her lapel.)

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...the society was named after John Birch, a young man (wife) came to the plains of China from far-away America... to teach Chinese people of the Christian way of life when he was "caught in the midst of the war with Japan. His parents interrupted on July 1, 1942, he joined General Chennault's American Volunteer group.

The first fact I learned from the literature was how the society was named. U.S. Army Capt. John Birch had been a 21-year-old Baptist missionary. "A young man (wife) came to the plains of China from far-away America... to teach Chinese people of the Christian way of life" when he was "caught in the midst of the war with Japan. His parents interrupted on July 1, 1942, he joined General Chennault's American Volunteer group.

"WALKING HUNDREDS of miles through enemy lines, he became the eyes and ears of America's 14th Air Force. Speaking Chinese and disguised often as a coolie, he became a legend in his own time. 'Where brave men were common, John was the bravest man I knew,' said a comrade in arms."

In August of 1945 "John lay dead in a ditch near the town of Haichow—shot and cruelly bayoneted by our Chinese Communist allies. His death was known and mourned all over China, for he had become a symbol of Christianity, of true brotherhood and humility, and of the goodness and strength of America. The cruel murder of Captain Birch was a grim warning by the Red Chinese to all who would oppose their 20th century barbarism... it is a testimony to the active Christian faith which John Birch preached that his story is today known and that the symbol of his life, which the Communists tried to stamp out, now guides the society that bears his name.

"In 1775 the Americanists stood at Concord Bridge," the brochure states. "Today the John Birch Society stands across the nation. Our Common Goal: Less government, more responsibility, and with God's help—a better world."

Next to founder Welch in stature is the 24-member council composed of civic, professional, clerical and educational figures throughout the country. Those from the Midwest pictured in the book supplement included S. J. Corner of Chicago, president of Modern States.

...the society was named after John Birch, a young man (wife) came to the plains of China from far-away America... to teach Chinese people of the Christian way of life when he was "caught in the midst of the war with Japan. His parents interrupted on July 1, 1942, he joined General Chennault's American Volunteer group.

AMONG ITS OTHER FUNCTIONS, the council is empowered "to select with absolute and final authority, a Successor to the founder. These men are also the society's official spokesmen. Mrs. Fall explained that even in her position as chapter leader, she could not speak for the society. "Our members are working toward a common goal," she said. "But we do not make policy statements." One of our cardinal rules," Mrs. Fall says, "is that if you don't agree with a decision you don't have to work for it."

A brief word about those ad hoc committees Birch Tax Reform Movement, Support Your Local Police, SHAIN ("To restore American Independence Now")

TACT ("Truth About Civic Turmoil") and MONITORING ("Movement To Restore Decency and do away with sex education in the schools") are not ALL made up of members of the John Birch Society. "The average committee is composed of 10 percent members of the John Birch Society and 90 percent non-members who work together utilizing various avenues of communication and education to create understanding on the various issues." But they are formed and motivated by the society.

Except to say that membership runs into the tens of thousands, nowhere are numbers specifically mentioned. Chapters are listed in every state of the union, including Hawaii and Alaska. "This is truly an educational arm and no other pro-Americanist, anti-Communist force is comparable to it," the brochure continues. Each Chapter, actively recruiting and educating, is devastating to the Conspiracy as well as a tremendous force for good in its own area."

Recruitment is active, but "we want only responsible men and women of religious ideals, good character, patriotic purpose and humane conscience, who are respected by their friends and neighbors. They can be of any race, color, or creed. For John Birch Society is and we want it to remain a wonderful cross-section of America."

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"It's amazing," Damon says. "When we go into the schools to talk, they expect that we will be anti-semitic and anti-black. At first attitudes are hostile, cynical and sarcastic both on the part of students and the teachers. But when we leave there is understanding and appreciation. Kids find themselves in agreement with us. We usually leave copies of 'None Dare Call It Communism' behind."

Mrs. Fall adds that this was particularly true when Alan Davidson talked on the United Nations at New Trier East High School recently. "The creative students rounded up many of their friends and the attendance was wonderful. The teachers were also complimentary."

"It comes as a surprise to some people," Damon says, "that we have Jewish and black members and that we don't go around shouting 'Communist!'"

Mrs. Fall says, "Certainly we are non-violent. And we believe in education."

Are there junior chapters of the John Birch Society? "Yes," Mrs. Fall replies. "But they don't meet within the schools. They meet in homes. Flyers will be out soon for a number of four-day blitz camps to be held this summer. Youth camps are very popular in the state of Washington."

JUST HOW SECRET is the society? "As I told a new member whom I was briefing recently," Mrs. Fall says, "there is an unwritten rule that you don't say that so-and-so is a member. If people want to know you can say, 'I can't say for him—why don't you ask him?' The society is not a secret. It is up to the individual. I choose to make it known."

How many chapters on the North Shore? "Five or six," Damon answers. "You know that there is one in Winnetka, and another in Northfield. There are several in Glenview. In Northfield we started with six or seven people a year ago and are now up to 40 or 50 people. We really should be splitting."

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"If anyone evidences interest in the society," Damon adds, "he or she is welcome to come to the meetings."

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"Phil Crane is not associated with the society," Damon says, "but we are very concerned about losing him and ending up with Mike. Crane doesn't ask for our support, he just upholds the views we have."

What are some of the other things you believe in? "We should have the right to run our own lives," Mrs. Fall says. "God has given them to us. Government should be the servant, not the master."

"THE POWER TO TAX," Damon says, "is the power to destroy. Power lets the government get bigger and bigger. We try to discourage the downgrading of individual responsibility and the attitude that the government can do everything."

Lewis said that communism must be built with non-communist hands and with capitalist money," Damon says. "And that's what's happening."

How does the society feel about President Nixon's recent trips? "We have always been opposed to summit conferences," Mrs. Fall replies. "We were opposed to both. The American people tend to forgive and forget. They fail to remember that totalitarianism in Russia took between 30 to 50 million lives, and in China between 50 and 100 million people were mass slaughtered or liquidated."

What about Henry Kissinger's position of power? "What I think of him is unprintable," Mrs. Fall replies. "He is a German who has been associated with the Carnegie and Rockefeller Institutes and served on the Council of Foreign Affairs. He came from nowhere. I've heard that he met Nixon at a cocktail party given by Clare Booth Luce."

If indeed there is a Communist conspiracy today, where is the power seated and who calls the tune? "I think," Mrs. Fall says, "that orders go to Moscow from New York. The Daily World (formerly Worker) takes its lines from the New York Times. The Rockefeller trust is the top and David Rockefeller is more powerful than Nixon. The Council of Foreign Relations runs all inside government and 100 top executives of radio, television and magazine publishing are members. The Institute of Pacific Relations is the eye in Asia."

MY HEAD SPINNING. I gratefully agree with Damon that you really need a longer time to assimilate the full implications of the conspiracy.

How had Mr. Damon happened to join the society? "My wife and I were concerned about what was going on in America. We got tired of sitting across the table and saying, what can we do? So we went to the American Opinion Book Store and we started to read. Then we had someone come to the house to talk to us and some of our friends."

Mrs. Fall's participation in the society goes back to having heard Welch's original "Blue Book" presentation in a private home.

What final messages would they like to leave?

"Freedom," Mrs. Fall says, "is the greatest thing that we have in America today. It is the envy of the world. We are trading our freedom for government handouts."

"What the government finances today," Damon adds, "it will control tomorrow. Think long and hard before you are willing to part with your freedom."

"If the average American would be willing to devote to the cause of America what enemies devote to its destruction," Mrs. Fall says, "the battle would be won. The average communist spends from 10 to 20 hours a week working against America. The average American spends between 10 and 20 hours a year defending it."

"Even Jerry Rubin," Damon concludes, "says that the only group that really knows what is going on in America today is the John Birch Society."

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"Freedom is the greatest thing we have in America... we are trading it for handouts." Mrs. J. H. Fall III. (Staff photos by Jerrold Howard)



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Birch speaker attacks integration

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Integration in the South is part of an international communist conspiracy manifested by presidential efforts to create a totalitarian state in America, a John Birch Society speaker said here Tuesday night.

Conrad Jarrell, pastor of a Primitive Baptist church in Montgomery, Ala., told the audience of 200 that the "federal takeover of the schools" was only part of a larger plan. He said it included the possibility that President Nixon could announce a civil emergency and place American citizens in forced work gangs.

Jarrell spoke at the Plantation Room in the Downtowner under the sponsorship of the Greenville-Leland Truth About Civil Turmoil (TACT) Committee.

The blueprint for this "dictatorship" already exists, Jarrell said. He said that it

has been the official policy of the Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon administrations to disarm the United States and place it under the control of the "communist-initiated and run" United Nations.

Jarrell said those who opposed school integration have three choices: to surrender their rights, to put their children in private schools or to fight. He said no "red-blooded American" would ever take the first choice, but also warned against seizing private schools as an answer.

"How will the best private school in this country guarantee that you and your children won't go to a forced labor compound?" he asked. He said the only way to resist the tyranny ahead was to educate the public to the communist menace.

Jarrell said that the threat to local control of schools began in the 1930s when Franklin D. Roosevelt began to pack the court with his

"hand-picked men" and has continued through succeeding administrations.

Jarrell cited Eisenhower's appointment of Earl Warren, Johnson's appointment of Thurgood Marshall and Nixon's appointment of Warren Burger to the high court as examples.

Jarrell said that acquiescence to the federal takeover was a very real danger. "If you slop at the federal trough, the government has the right to hang your hams from the smokehouse," he said.

Jarrell said he was basically against integration because it meant federal control of local institutions. He also said that it would create "bitter hatred between the races."

The audience took the podium-thumping, arm-waving, emotionally delivered speech calmly for the most part, twice interrupting with applause.

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